

Flagstaff

Government Shutdown: Flagstaff Resources

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Latest Updates

11/3: The USDA will be partially paying November SNAP benefits

“Per orders issued by the United States District Courts for the Districts of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, FNS intends to deplete SNAP contingency funds completely and provide reduced SNAP benefits for November 2025.” The process for getting reduced November benefits out is expected to take time. The department said it would give states more information on how to implement reduced benefits today. “To assist State agencies with the massive changes, USDA will have staff available for technical assistance,” the filing said.

Impact: SNAP recipients should receive 50% of their SNAP benefits for November, although these benefits will be coming late.

10/31: Two Federal Judges Ruling SNAP Must Be (Partially) Funded

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Impact: This may mean that a partial amount of SNAP funds will be released, BUT the timeline is very unknown.

Highlighted items are walking distance from Campus. Mileage listed is from NAU Bookstore

Grocery Assistance Resources

- **Flagstaff Family Food Center - Warehouse Distribution**

What: Bag includes fresh produce (varies by availability), bread, a baked dessert, snacks, and protein such as frozen meat, microwave meals, or dairy. Clients may also receive a TEFAP emergency food box.

Where: 3805 E Huntington Dr., Flagstaff, AZ 86004

When: Tuesday - Saturday, 9am - 1pm

Who: Anyone in a vehicle. ID and verbal confirmation of income and state residence required for government commodity box (optional).

- **Flagstaff Family Food Center - Neighborhood Distributions**
 What: Bag includes fresh produce (varies by availability), bread, a baked dessert, snacks, and protein such as frozen meat, microwave meals, or dairy. Clients may also receive a TEFAP emergency food box.
 Where: Neighborhood sites vary, visit hotfood.org/find-food/ for locations
 When: Neighborhood sites vary, visit hotfood.org/find-food/ for times
 Who: Anyone, walk-ups allowed. ID and verbal confirmation of income and state residence required for government commodity box (optional).
 - **Kinsey Elementary School: Tuesdays, 10-noon, 1601 S. Lone Tree (Just E. of the Skydome)**
 - **1 mile from NAU Bookstore**
- **FlagFridges (.6 from NAU Bookstore)**
 What: A “take what you need, leave what you can” community fridge
 Where: Located at the Murdoch Center, 203 E Brannen Ave, Flagstaff, AZ 86002
 When: Every day, 24/7
 Who: Anyone, no questions asked.
- **FlagFridges Food Distribution (.6 mile from NAU Bookstore)**
 What: weekly free food distribution, with a focus on healthy, local foods
 Where: 116 W. Cottage Ave., Flagstaff, AZ
 When: Thursdays, 4pm - 5pm
 Who: All are welcome - no requirements necessary
- **Salvation Army (1 mile from NAU Bookstore)**
 What: Shelf-stable food items
 Where: 407 N Humphreys St., Flagstaff, AZ 86002
 When: Mon: 1 - 4pm, Tue: 9am - 12 pm, Wed: 1 - 4pm, Thur: 9am - 12pm
 Who: Anyone. ID and verbal confirmation of income and state residence required for government commodity box
- **Flagstaff CSA (.6 mile from NAU Bookstore)**
 What: A \$30 daily voucher for SNAP-eligible items
 Where: 116 W Cottage Ave, Flagstaff, AZ 86001
 When: Mon - Sat: 10am - 2pm, Sun: 10am - 6pm
 Who: SNAP participants with an active SNAP/EBT card.
- **Federated Church's Little Pantries (1 mile from NAU Bookstore)**
 What: Two pantries outside of their church - take what you need, leave what you can method.
 Where: 400 W Aspen Ave
 When: Every day, 24/7
- **Biff Bagels (.6 mile from NAU Bookstore)**

What: Free half dozen bagels with SNAP/EBT card
Where: 1 S Beaver St, Flagstaff, AZ 86001
When: 7 am - 2 pm everyday, except Sunday 8 am - 2 pm

Meal Assistance

- **Flagstaff Family Food Center - Kitchen**
What: Free sack lunches, hot dinners
Where: 1903 N 2nd St, Flagstaff, AZ 86004
When: 12 - 2 pm for lunch, 4 - 5:30 for dinner (dine in or take out)
Who: Anyone, no questions asked
- **Fat Olives / Salsa Brava / Fat Bagels**
What: one free egg and cheese breakfast bagel or bean and cheese burrito to those affected by the government shutdown
Where: In the food trailer behind Fat Bagels, 2300 E Rte 66, Flagstaff, AZ 86004
When: Everyday, 7am - 10am, until SNAP benefits have been restored
Who: Anyone, no questions asked
- **Federated Church's Community Dinners (1 mile from NAU Bookstore)**
What: Regular Community Dinners
Where: 400 W Aspen Ave
When: Third Thursday (11/20 & 12/18, 4:30 - 6:30pm)
Who: Anyone!

Help Finding Other Resources

- **2-1-1 Arizona**
What: Dial 2-1-1 to get connected to local resources in your community throughout the state.
When: Every day, 9am - 7pm
Who: Anyone!
- **Flagstaff Family Food Center**
What: You can contact us and we can help you get connected to local resources.
Where: In-person appointments can be made at bit.ly/Summer1on1 or you can call/text 928-890-4348
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